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Claim for Compensation re-Theft of vehicles by
Terrorists

1946 - 1947

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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

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SUBJECT

CLAIM FOR Compensation re.

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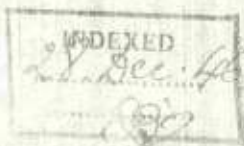
Benjamin Franklin

OFF. 24717-10000-7-5-46

CONNECTED FILES

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SUBJECT



① Shlomo Kritzger

22.12.46

[Signature]

② C.L. Rosenwasser

14.12.46

③ C.L. Rosenwasser

18.12.46

24/12

④ A.S. (Id.)

May I pl. have your advice on (1) and (3) - the latter being a repetition of (2).

We inform all claimants who have suffered loss of property on account of terrorist activities that Govt. can assume no liability in respect of their loss - but that their claim has been placed on record in this office for reference if and when necessary. Should a similar reply be returned to (1) and (3) or would you suggest any modification?

[Signature] 30/12

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Re: Brin.

The special feature about these two cases is that the two vehicles were allegedly destroyed by Government, not directly by

terrorists. I suggest that, before a reply is sent on the lines of 32 of your minute, the Police be asked for a report on the circumstances in which it was necessary to destroy the two cars.

W.D.

31.12.46

⑥ Ref. ✓ I'll draft the usual letter as at min. (4).

W.D. 31/12

⑦ To Mr. Ch. Rosenwasser - 4.1.47.

⑧ To Mr. Shlomo Kreitzer - 4.1.47.

⑨ Ref. ✓ I'll record claims herein on your Register. Please report.

W.D. 6/1

⑩. Claim entered in register

⑪ Shlomo Kreitzer Ramat Gan (✓) 7.1.47

⑫ Mr. Shlomo Kreitzer

W.D. 12/1
17/1/47

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12/1
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(13) Paul Schwarz

1st May 1947.

ack on 5.5.47

\$5/5

(14) McBrien

The claim at (13) is an old case which has been dealt with on F/Comp/29/2/46. A decision was given that Govt. cannot accept liability. Applicant was informed accordingly (13^a) by D.C. Lydda. ? draft saying we have nothing to add to (13^a) pls.

\$5/5

(15) Pl. attach F/Comp/29/2/46 and re-submit.

att'd M. 20/5

M 8/5

(16) M. Fleming

Pl. draft in reply to (13) telling claimant to follow the procedure laid down in the Gazette Notice Gazette N^o 1580 of 22/5/47

M 6

[Is that case does the att'd. red file relate?]

Pl. oph.

M 6

(17) To Mr. Paul Schwarz. — 7.6.47.

P.A.

M 1/6

(18) Paul Schwarz & Richard Bulmer — 24.6.47.

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(19) To Mr. Paul Schwarz, Lübeck - 4.7.77

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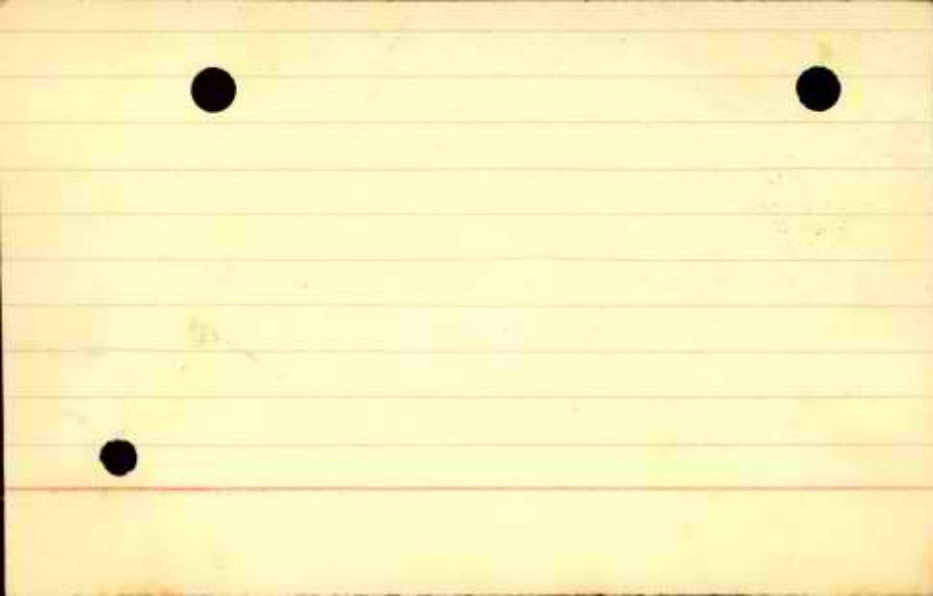
Claim for Compensation
re Theft of Vehicle by Tenants.

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Rs. 27.6.47



Mr. Ullendorff
MMM 3.6.47.

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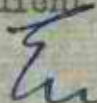
4 July, 1947.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter of 24th June, 1947, and to return the declaration which was enclosed with your communication.

2. I am to invite your attention to paragraph 1 of the Notice which was published on page 519 of the Palestine Gazette No. 1580 dated 22nd May, 1947, which clearly states that claims for compensation should be submitted to the District Commissioner of the district in which the loss or damage occurred.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,



(E. Ullendorff)

For CHIEF SECRETARY.

Mr. Paul Schwarz,
29, Gruzenberg Street,
Tel Aviv.

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Paul S C H W A R Z ,
Richard B R E N N E R ,
29, Gruzenberg Street,
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CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE
(Chief Clerk)

June 24th., 1947.

27 JUNE 1947

JERUSALEM

The
Assistant Secretary
of the
Chief Secretary
to the Government of Palestine,
Government House,
J e r u s a l e m .

Sir,

(17) referring to the kind letter of the Chief Secretary's
office, No. F/Comp/140/46 - dated 7. June 1947, we herewith
beg to submit to you our questionnaire properly filled in and
completed.-

Asking you, Sir, for the kindness to confirm the
receipt of this letter and the claim-application,

we have the honour to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servants

Paul Filmer
Richard Brenner

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Mr. Brinn
TC 6.6.47.

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F/Comp/140/46

7 June, 1947.

Sir,

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I am directed to refer to your letter of the 1st May, 1947, regarding your claim for compensation in respect of the destruction of your taxi by Military or Police action and to request you to follow the procedure laid down on page 519 of the Notice appearing in Palestine Gazette No. 1580 of the 22nd May, 1947.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(I.M.Brinn)
for CHIEF SECRETARY.

Mr. Paul Schwarz
29, Gruzenberg Stn,
Tel Aviv.

Mr. Brown
To S.S. No.

June 1944

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I am pleased to hear that
you are well and hope you
are enjoying your vacation.
I am sure you will find it
very relaxing and enjoyable.
I am sure you will find it
very relaxing and enjoyable.
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very relaxing and enjoyable.
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very relaxing and enjoyable.

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very relaxing and enjoyable.

I am sure you will find it
very relaxing and enjoyable.

Very truly yours,
J. Edgar Hoover
Director



PAUL SCHWARZ,
29, Gruzenberg Str.,
Tel-Aviv.

The Chief Secretary,
Government House,
Jerusalem.

REGISTERED

P/Com/100/36

Sir,

We, the undersigned, Paul Schwartz, of 29, Gruzenberg Street, Tel Aviv, and Dr. Richard Brenner of 4, Glickson Street, Tel Aviv, beg to apply to you in the following matter:-

We are both ex-servicemen who have served for a period of over three-and a-half years in the British Army.

After strenuous efforts, we succeeded in obtaining a licence to run a taxi which we purchased some time at the end of November 1946, and for which we paid the amount of LP 1,275. In addition to this sum, we also paid LP 30.- to an expert and a further sum of LP 25.- in order to convert the car into a public vehicle.

We had hardly run the car for a few days when, on the 5th December, 1946, one of us was held up at the point of a gun and the car, a 1941 Plymouth, registered No. 419, was taken away despite all resistance.

It subsequently transpired that the car was involved in the commission of an offence and was blown up by either the Police or Military Authorities for reasons of public security.

(13^a) On the 19th December, 1946, we lodged a claim with the District Commissioner for compensation, but we are now informed by a letter, a copy of which is enclosed herewith, that Government does not accept liability in respect of the loss.

The particulars of the claim have, however, now been placed in your office, and we hereby request you to reconsider the District Commissioner's decision.

Whether or not the blowing up of the car was justified in the circumstances, we submit that it is clear that we had no connection whatsoever with the perpetration of the illegal acts in which the car was apparently involved. As the car was taken against our will and was blown up in order to prevent a menace to public safety, it is submitted that the public should bear the loss which was occasioned by this deed to private and peaceful citizens.

We have both invested our entire capital in the purchase of the said car and are still liable to repay moneys which we borrowed for the purpose from other people. We both have to

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PAUL SCHWARTZ,
22, Grosvenor Street,
Tel Aviv.

1st May, 1947.

The Chief Secretary,
Government House,
Jerusalem.

Sir,

We, the undersigned, Paul Schwartz, of 22, Grosvenor Street, Tel Aviv, and Dr. Richard Kanner of 1, Eliahu Street, Tel Aviv, beg to advise you in the following manner:-

We are both ex-servicemen who have served for a period of over three-and-a-half years in the British Army.

After strenuous efforts, we succeeded in obtaining a licence to run a taxi which we purchased some time at the end of November 1946, and for which we paid the amount of £1,175. In addition to this sum, we also paid a £2.00 to an expert and a further sum of £2.00 in order to convert the car into a public vehicle.

We had barely run the car for a few days when, on the 21st December, 1946, one of us was held up at the point of a gun and the car, a 1941 Plymouth, registered No. 412, was taken away despite all resistance.

It subsequently transpired that the car was involved in the commission of an offence and was blown up by either the Police or Military authorities for reasons of public security.

On the 12th December, 1946, we lodged a claim with the District Commissioner for compensation, but we are now informed by a letter, a copy of which is enclosed herewith, that Government does not accept liability in respect of the loss.

The particulars of the claim have, however, now been placed in your office, and we hereby request you to recommend the District Commissioner's decision.

Whether or not the blowing up of the car was justified in the circumstances, we submit that it is clear that we had no connection whatsoever with the commission of the offence in which the car was apparently involved. As the car was taken against our will and was blown up in order to prevent a menace to public safety, it is submitted that the public should bear the loss which was occasioned by this need to preserve and maintain order.

We have both invested our entire capital in the purchase of the said car and are still liable to repay money which we borrowed for the purpose from other people. We both have to

maintain our families, and as a result of the whole incident we have lost our means of livelihood.

We hope, that in the light of the above observations, you will see your way fit to reconsider the decision of the District Commissioner and to direct that compensation be paid to us in order to enable us to purchase a new car and to resume work.

Yours respectfully,

Paul Thorne
Richard Jenner

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you will see your way fit to reconsider the decision of the
District Commissioner and to direct that compensation be paid
to us in order to enable us to purchase a new car and to resume
work.

Yours respectfully,

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TA/13105

District Offices
Tel Aviv.

25 April, 1947.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter dated the 19th December, 1946, concerning your claim for compensation for the destruction of your vehicle and to inform you that Government does not accept liability in respect of the loss allegedly suffered by you.

2. The particulars of your claim have, however, been placed on record in the office of the Chief Secretary for reference if and when necessary.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J. GOBERNIK

DISTRICT OFFICER
TEL AVIV.

Mr. Paul Schwarz,
29, Gruzenber St.,
Tel Aviv.

(12)

F/Comp/140/46.

17th January, 1947.

Sir,

(1)

I am directed to refer to your letter dated 7th January, 1947, regarding your request to be allowed to purchase a new car and to request you to submit your application on form RT.163 to the Controller of Road Transport, for consideration.

2. You should indicate to the Controller of Road Transport the circumstances in which your former car was destroyed.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(I. M. BRIN)
for A/CHIEF SECRETARY.

Mr. Shlomo Kreitzer,
House of Mayartz,
Nachlat Ganim,
near Ramat Gan.

SECRET

I am directed to inform you that the
Department has received information that
the [redacted] is planning to
travel to [redacted] in the near future.
It is requested that you remain alert
for any further information.

Very truly yours,
[redacted]
[redacted]

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
[redacted]

(1. 1. 1.)
[redacted]

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

SHLOMO KREITZER,
House of Mayartz,
Nachlath Ganim, near Ramat
Gan.

7th Jan, 1947.

His Excellency,
The Chief Secretary,
Government of Palestine,
Jerusalem.



Your Excellency,

Subject: Destruction of car &
Recommendation for a PERMIT
to purchase a new Taxi 6 Seater

Reference: Your letter No. F/Comp/140/46.
dated 4th January, 1947.

We beg to thank you for your letter of above
reference and date, in particular, for the last para.
stating that our claim has been placed on record for future
reference.

But, in the meantime, since the only means
of a livelihood of 2 families (Shlomo Kreitzer & Meir Preiz),
dependant on the earnings of said damaged car, has been
deprived, we humbly beg to take the liberty in requesting
Your Excellency to kindly consider a way to recommend us,
for the time being, to the Authorities concerned, to grant
us the required PERMIT to purchase for our money a taxi
6 seater car with which we shall engage.

May the blessings of all the members of our
families meet Your Excellency for the kind help and
assistance thus rendered to us.

We have the honour to be,
Your Excellency's
very respectfully.

S. Kreitzer

RT 163

sw.

F/Comp/140/46.

9 January 1947.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated the 22nd December 1946, regarding your claim for compensation in respect of the destruction of your car and regret to inform you that Government cannot assume liability for the loss sustained by you.

2. Your claim has however been placed on record in this office for reference if and when necessary.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(I. M. BRIN)
for CHIEF SECRETARY.

Mr. Shlomo Krietzer,
House of Mayartz,
Nachlath Ganim,
Near Ramat Gan.

January 1942

George V. Brown

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I am pleased to hear of your
return from the States and
hope you will find the conditions
in the States as satisfactory as
you wish. I am sure you will
find the people and the climate
of the States very pleasant.

Yours sincerely,
George V. Brown

1 am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

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For Mr. Brown

Mr. George V. Brown
House of Commons
London, W.C.2
England

F/Comp/140/46

7
4/ January 1947.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter dated the 18th December 1946, regarding your claim for compensation in respect of the destruction of your car and regret to inform you that Government cannot assume liability for the loss sustained by you.

2. Your claim has however been placed on record in this office for reference if and when necessary.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(I. M. BRIN)
for A/CHIEF SECRETARY.

Mr. Ch. Rosenwasser,
4, Ibn Gabirol Str.,
Tel Aviv.

January 1947

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I am enclosed a copy of
your letter dated the 12th December
1946, regarding the claim for
reimbursement in respect of the
costs of the investigation
conducted by the
Department of the
Interior for the
purpose of
ascertaining
the
cause of the
fire.

I am enclosing a copy of
the report of the
investigation
conducted by the
Department of the
Interior for the
purpose of
ascertaining
the
cause of the
fire.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
The Secretary

(Sd/-)
The Secretary

Mr. J. H. H. H.
The Secretary
The Secretary

Ch. Rosenwasser
4, Ibn Gabirol Str.

Tel-Aviv, the 18th December, 1946. (2)

The Honourable
Chief Secretary's Office,
Government of Palestine
J e r u s a l e m .

CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE
(Chief Clerk)

24 DEC. 1946

JERUSALEM

Ack 24/12/46

Sir,

I beg to approach you in the following matter:
This writer is the owner of the commercial car No. M.705 T which according to reports which appeared in the local press, was destroyed by Government action on the 5th December in Jerusalem.

The facts leading to that action - as far as they are known to me - were the following. :

On the 5th December at about 1 o'clock I was approached by a young man asking me to transport some goods from one place to another. I subsequently drove with him through Dizengoff str. and was suddenly ordered under threat of life to alter the destination and to drive to the Shlomo Hamelech str, where some 3 other men were waiting. While my car was taken away by them, I myself was kept by then and eventually released at 10 o'clock in the evening, when I immediately reported the incident to the police station at Dizengoff str. in Tel-Aviv. After completing there the investigations the police released me at 1 o'clock that night.

When I read in the press that the car was destroyed, I reported the case to the insurance company who informed me that this loss is not covered by the policy.

I then tried to obtain actual assistance and support through the Resettlement Offices in Tel-Aviv but so far no results were forthcoming.

To take advantage of the services of a reliable lawyer is beyond my means, because I am not in the position to pay the fees which were asked from me as advance payment. Besides I see little chances to be indemnified by the insurers when such loss is expressly not covered by the insurance policy.

The car is my only asset on which my livelihood was dependent. At the moment I am deprived of my facilities to earn a living.

As pointed out above I have approached the Palestine Government through the Resettlement Offices in Tel-Aviv, to whom an exserviceman I applied in the first instance, for intervention and assistance, but I feel, that office can do nothing more than report the case to their proper authorities and it may take weeks or months untill a decision may be reached and communicated to me.

This is why I venture to write you directly. I beg to suggest that there are many means by which an exserviceman like me, who without any fault of his own, became the victim of terrorist action, can be helped.

There are hundreds of trucks in military stores available from which a suitable one could be allocated to me. The import duty and surcharge of about LP.200 which I had already paid for the destroyed car could be either refunded to me or in case a new car should be allocated to me could be reckoned up from the costprice of a new one.

In case it would be decided that a special permit be granted to me to purchase a new car, such car could be allocated to me from existing stocks in Palestine for immediate operation.

In view of the fact that this case is without precedence I beg to draw your attention to the following facts:

The car was taken from me uner threat of life by notorious terrorists and was found the day after loaded with bombs by the government authorities. It was on official order that the car was destroyed by blowing up the bombs found on it. It appears that the car, after it having been stolen, was actually recovered and finally destroyed by government action for which the insurance company declines the responsibility. I understant that it is the authorities concerned to whom my claim should be lodged.

I joined up in 1939 and served during 6 years as a soldier. I was discharged in 1945.

With the assistance of the association of exservicemen as well as with a loan of LP. 450 I bought the car in question and commenced to build up a modest existence. Now I have no car but must pay the installments on the loans.

I am no terrorist and have an entirely clean record as soldier as well as citizen, I feel myself worthy of being helped, assisted and resettled and request you to kindly grant me your assistance in this matter.

Whatever your decisions or recommendations may be, I request you to kindly let me know such quickly thus enabling me to rebuild my existence without delay.

Your most humble servant,

Ch. Rosenwasser
Ch. Rosenwasser

It is not to be understood that the above is a statement of fact, but it is a statement of opinion, and it is not to be taken as a statement of fact.

In view of the fact that the above is a statement of opinion, it is not to be taken as a statement of fact.

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Very truly yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

Ch. Rosenwasser
Ibn Gabirol 4
Tel-Aviv.

*Serial no.
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CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE
(Chief Clerk)

24 DEC. 1946

December 14th, 1946

JERUSALEM

H.E.
The High Commissioner of Palestine
J e r u s a l e m

Sir,

As a returned soldier, I take the liberty of addressing this letter to you in the hope that you will see your way clear to helping me.

On my discharge from the Army in October 1945, after 6 years service, I found it extremely difficult to find a job and after a year of wandering about from one temporary job to another, I managed to accumulate a small sum and by borrowing the remainder from banks and friends bought a small van and started business on my own. I worked very successfully for 3 weeks and then on December 5 I was kidnapped and my machine (Peugeot M 705 T) was stolen from me and used by the terrorists. It was blown up the next day by the military for security reasons in Jerusalem and is a total loss. The vehicle cost me LP.600.- and was insured for that amount. The Insurance Company however refuses to pay me since it was destroyed by Government and as such, they are not responsible. My lawyers also state this to be the case.

I have an aged mother a wife and a mother in law to support and must now also pay off my loans to the banks etc.

I appeal herewith to His Excellency to do whatever possible to help an ex soldier back to his feet.

Hoping my appeal will be answered, I remain

Your most humble servant

Rosenwasser
Ch. Rosenwasser

*Same application
at (3).*

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CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE
(Chief Clerk)

24 DEC. 1946

JERUSALEM

SHLOMO KREITZER,
House of Mayartz
Nachlath Ganim,
near Ramath Gan.

22nd December, 1946.

Ack. sent
Serial No. 30

His Excellency,
The High Commissioner for Palestine,
Jerusalem.

Your Excellency,

We, the undersigned, Shlomo Kreitzer & Meir Preis, co-owners of taxi car M417D that was confiscated by force by the terrorists on Thursday the 5th inst at Ramath Gan, respectfully beg to submit the following petition.

At noon on the above date, when I, Shlomo Kreitzer, was stationed at Ramath Gan, a number of terrorists had attacked me and by force taken from me the above taxi. They have kept under their forceful guard and others went away with the taxi. At 9.30 that evening after my release by the terrorists I went to Ramath Gan Police Station to report the matter, and there I was told that my said taxi car had been blown up by the Authorities and that it is now at Public Work Department in Jerusalem.

As out of the proceeds of said car (a Plymouth car 6 seater) we have ~~been~~ both drawn our living for ~~ourselves~~ and 2 families and as we have now remained penniless and without means of gaining a livelihood, we respectfully beg to appeal to Your Ex. to consider please our case since we are quite innocent in the whole matter, why should we suffer and lose our living.

In the circumstances we have ^{one} to appeal to and therefore we trust and hope that Your Ex. will kindly find a way and means that we shall be compensated for our loss and get the damages we sustained,

In this case we shall be grateful to Your Excellency if you would kindly confirm the grant to us of a second hand car free of charge or please please order the ~~grant~~ grant to us of a Permit to purchase a new 6 seater car.

us Trusting Your Excellency will kindly forbear/the liberty we have taken in tresspassing upon your valuable time, we beg to thank you in advance.

Yours Excellency's
Very respectfully.

S. Kreitzer

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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

C. S. O.

SUBJECT

Claim for Compensation Re.

Death of Victim's By

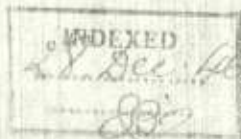
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CONNECTED FILES

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